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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

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Sirs:

Responsive to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of December 12,  
2006, please amend the application as follows: